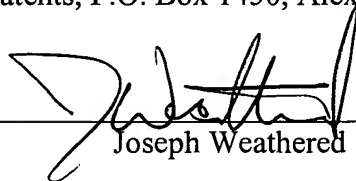




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In response to the Office Action of September 19, 2006, applicants request that the Examiner reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following arguments and observations.